

CHAPTER LVI.

*A Bill granting to George R. Stuntz the right to establish and maintain a Ferry across the St. Louis River.*

- SECTION 1. Ferry charter granted to George R. Stuntz.
2. Kind of boat required to be kept, and how it shall be run.
  3. Rates of toll to be charged.
  4. Bond to be filed and liabilities for failure to comply with the terms of the charter.
  5. Liabilities for not keeping a good boat.
  6. Remedy of injured parties.
  7. When this act shall take effect.
  8. Power to repeal, modify or amend reserved.

*Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of Minnesota Territory:*

SECTION. 1. That George R. Stuntz, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, shall have the exclusive right and privilege, for the period of fifteen years, of keeping and maintaining a ferry across the St. Louis River, in the county of Itasca, in the Territory of Minnesota, from a point at the mouth of the said St. Louis river, known as the Minnesota or Stuntz's Point, to the town of Superior, and a point known as the Wisconsin Point, in Douglas county, State of Wisconsin, and no other ferry shall be established within one mile of the said Point. Charter granted.

SEC. 2 That said George R. Stuntz shall at all times keep a safe and good boat or boats, in good repair, for the accommodation of all persons wishing to cross said ferry, and shall give prompt and ready attendances on passengers or teams on all occasions, and at all hours, both at night or day; but persons wishing to cross said ferry after eight o'clock at night may be charged double the fare as hereinafter prescribed. Kind of boat.

SEC. 3. The rates charged for crossing the above ferry shall not exceed the following: Rates of toll.

For each foot passenger,.....	20	cents.
“ horse, mare or mule, with or without rider,.....	50	“
“ single horse carriage,.....	70	“
“ two-horse, two-ox, or two-mule team, loaded or unloaded, with driver,.....	\$1	“
“ additional horse, mule, ox, or cow,.....	30	“
“ swine or sheep,.....	5	“

All freight of lumber one dollar per thousand feet and ten cents per hundred pounds for all other freight.

- Bond required.** SEC. 4. The said George R. Stuntz shall, within six months after the passage of this act, file or cause to be filed with the clerk of the board of county commissioners of the county of Itasca, or the county to which the same may be attached, a bond to the said board with two or more sufficient sureties, to be approved by the said clerk in the penal sum of three hundred dollars, conditioned that he will fulfill all the conditions that are required of him in the foregoing sections.
- Penalty in certain cases.** SEC. 5. For every neglect in keeping a good and sufficient boat, or failure to give prompt and due attendance on passengers, the said Geo. R. Stuntz shall forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty dollars, to be recovered by a civil action before any court having jurisdiction.
- Remedy for injuries sustained.** SEC. 6. Any person who shall sustain any injury by the negligence of the said George R. Stuntz, or of the ferryman in his employ, may have a remedy by an action upon the bond required in this act.
- Act to take effect.** SEC. 7. *This act shall take effect on the first day of June next.*
- Powers reserved.** SEC. 8. This act may be repealed, altered or modified by any future Legislature.

J. S. NORRIS,  
*Speaker of House of Representatives.*  
 WM. P. MURRAY,  
*President of the Council.*

APPROVED—March third, eighteen hundred and fifty-five.  
 A. W. GORMAN.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the original act on file in this office.

J. TRAVIS ROSEB,  
*Secretary of Minnesota Territory.*